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City of Falls Church Celebrates Arbor Day

Saturday, April 18, 2009

Arbor Day goes back to its roots this year with a celebration at Frady Park, the site of the first Arbor Day celebration in the City of Falls Church and the Commonwealth of Virginia. This 117th Arbor Day celebration will be held Saturday, April 18 at 3 p.m.

The public is invited to this free event, which will feature a reenactment by the Falls Church Victorian Society and a talk by a community volunteer on the National Wildlife Federation's "Certified Wildlife Habitat Program." Festivities will also include a presentation of Falls Church's 31st consecutive Tree City, U.S.A. Award by the National Arbor Day Foundation. The City of Falls Church was the first community in Virginia to be recognized as a Tree City and has the longest state record for this annual award.

Parking is available on North Fairfax Street or in the Child Development Center parking lot off North Cherry Street.

This event is sponsored by the City of Falls Church, the Falls Church Preservation and Improvement Society (VPIS), and the Falls Church Victorian Society. For more information regarding Arbor Day activities, please call the City Arborist at 703-248-5183 (TTY 711).

The City of Falls Church is committed to the letter and spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request a reasonable accommodation for any type of disability, call 703-248-5183 (TTY 711).

WHAT: Arbor Day Celebration WHEN: Saturday, April 18, 2009

TIME: 3 p.m. WHERE: Frady Park

300 Block of East Broad Street at Fairfax Street

Falls Church, VA 22046

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